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In re U.S. Patent Application of

SUDA et al.

Application Number: 10/549,683

Filed: September 19, 2005

For: METHOD OF GROWING SEMICONDUCTOR
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COVER LETTER

Sir:

[x] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

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- [] Response to Office Action
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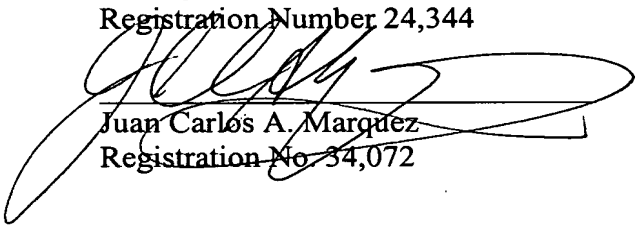
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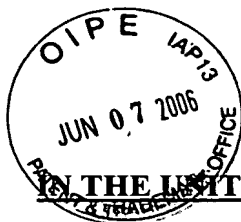
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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please further amend the above-identified application as follows: